

# AUSTRALIA BEARS WAR BURDENS SPLENDIDLY, RHODES DECLARES

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their progress, but it is saying that the Australian is not standing still. "In Queensland the sugar industry is growing. The white Australia policy has not only not killed it, it has not stopped it. It is true that the growers this year have complained very loudly that they were caught between the price the government fixed when it bought the entire crop, and the wages the arbitration court fixed for harvesting the crop, and that thereby they wouldn't make any money, or at least not as much as they had hoped they would. But after letting the ripened cane stand uncut for a while on the claim that it would not pay to cut it at the wages they were required to pay to the cutters, they finally yielded and began cutting, and since then I haven't seen anything in the papers about their being ruined. "I don't think it admits of any question, that on the whole, Australia is both prosperous and progressing. Some Prejudices Against Americans

"Yes, I found some prejudice against America. I think it is more in seeming than in reality. But still there is no doubt there is some. You hear it voiced in the newspapers and in other periodicals. You hear it voiced in utterances at public gatherings. And if you keep your ears open and your mouth shut you can hear it in utterances on the street, and in the street cars, and on the trains. But you've got to keep your mouth shut. The Australians can spot you for an American every time they hear you speak; and then of course they are not so likely to give expression to any feeling of prejudice they may feel for things American.

"How do I account for it? Well, until this war Australia as a nation, and the Australian people as a people have never been called on to make any great sacrifices. They have never been called on for their national rights or their national existence. They have never had to fight either foreign or domestic tyrannies. Of course they have had the individual struggle for existence which comes to the individuals of all nations. But they have never as a nation or as a people been called on to make sacrifices of blood and treasure; to face a common danger, moved by a common spirit of devotion to a principle or ideal; ready to make whatever sacrifice of blood and treasure may be necessary to repel the danger, or establish the principle or attain the ideal. They are called on to do that now; and it comes hard. It comes hard to any people, but it comes harder to a people who have never had to do it before. They have no memories or traditions of similar sacrifices; no potently made or justifiably borne, to appeal to. Sacrifices seem great because there is nothing in their previous history as a nation or as a people as a standard to measure them by. Then the sacrifices can never be equally distributed among a people, nor equally borne. They are exacted more heavily from some than from others, and all do not have either the same courage or the same fortitude to bear them.

Feeling of Injustice  
"This feeling of injustice, irritation, a feeling that injustice is being done; that burdens are unequally distributed. Australians, to take the case in point, see themselves called on to make more sacrifices, to send more of their youth to the front, to contribute more of their earnings in taxes or in contributions to the many funds that have been organized for the relief of the suffering caused by the war, or for additional comfort or security for the men at the front. And, as far as they can see, no end to these sacrifices in sight. At the same time they see America and Americans apparently free from all the burdens of the war, and apparently reaping rich financial benefits from it.

Questions for America  
"Unconsciously, formulated or unformulated, the thought comes to many minds: Why should this be? Why should the Americans and America not only not be called on to make sacrifices but actually be in receipt of benefits because of the war? The very fact that the Australian feels that we are of the same blood as themselves adds to the strength of this feeling. They feel that the enemy they are fighting is the common enemy of both people, and that therefore, while Britain and Australia fight and suffer, America holds out and profits. Added to this is a belief, widely, though of course not universally held, that America was equally with Great Britain a guarantor of Belgium's neutrality, and therefore, of course, equally bound to take up arms in behalf of Belgium.

"When one realizes that these conditions and beliefs exist in Australia it is easily explained why there should be some feeling, some prejudice against America.

Talk of Prohibitive Tariffs  
"As to the extent to which it exists and what its results will be on the trade and other relations of the two countries, it is hard to say. One way in which the feeling is manifested is the assumption on the part of a good many people, and frequently expressed, most often in the more irresponsible newspapers and periodicals, and from other irresponsible sources, that the quick way to deal with the matter would be to put such a high tariff on all American commodities that they could not be brought in. This short way with America, it is argued by its proponents, would not only keep American goods out, but enable Australian manufacturers to produce them. Or if there were some things that even the Australian manufacturers could not produce, Australia could do without them—in fact, ought to do without them. Motor cars and millinery and a good many other like things are usually included in this category, the argument being that while the soldiers are suffering in the trenches the people

at home ought not to be taking week-end pleasure trips in motor cars, nor wearing modish millinery, or in fact anything—metaphorically—except sackcloth and ashes.

Duties Likely to Go Much Higher  
"I do not think there is any doubt that the Australian tariffs will be made very much higher. And, on principle, it does not lie in the mouth of us Americans to object to this, since we have had some high tariffs ourselves. In point of fact, duties very much higher on many things than those in force before the war are actually being collected now, and have been for two years, although the schedule under which they are being collected has never been passed into law. A bill for an act to impose these duties was introduced into the Commonwealth Parliament in December last, and though it has never been even fully debated or considered, a joint resolution of the two houses of Parliament directing the collection of duties under the provisions and schedules of the bill was passed, giving authority for their collection. However, unless the bill is passed by this present Parliament, the government, theoretically at least, will be liable to importers for all duties collected under it.

"But everyone expects higher duties after the war, if not before; and preferential duties—highly preferential duties—in favor of Great Britain as against all neutral countries, with possibly some preference in favor of the allied countries; while there are some who expect punitive duties, perhaps absolute prohibition, for the productions of the countries that are now enemy countries.

Many Temperate Proposals  
"On the other hand there are not wanting indications of a large body of sentiment and opinion that may greatly temper these extreme proposals. One can find plenty of men, usually men of affairs, even in these times when feeling runs high, who insist very frankly and forcibly that while undoubtedly much can be done in the way of promoting some kinds of manufactures by imposing protective duties, still Australia, with her bare five million of population, and her great stretches of only partially occupied lands, is still essentially a country of primary productions. Therefore for many years to come, not only her best but practically her only road to prosperity lies through the development of her natural resources of agriculture and mining; and that manufacturing will come as a natural result of the increase of population and variety of primary production. As illustrating this recognition of the practical value both of reasonableness in tariffs and of agriculture and commerce as the immediate means of Australian prosperity, one of the leading papers in Sydney not very long ago in an editorial commenting on a proposal in parliament for an appropriation to maintain a representative in eastern America to foster trade with Australia, said: "New South Wales already maintains a trade commissioner in San Francisco to increase the trade between there and Australia, and then the air is thick with proposals for prohibitive duties to drive away all the trade he is able to secure."

Increase Not Unreasonable  
"So while I think we may expect an increase of duties on American goods imported into Australia after the war, if not before, I have a feeling that there will be no unreasonable increase in this respect.

As for the war, Australia has sent a fine body of troops to the front. I do not need to say anything about their fighting qualities. A good many have been killed, broken, maimed and crippled. That is the tragedy of war. Australia is fully committed to the policy of taking care of her returned soldiers, not only those who come back disabled, but those who are fortunate enough to come back at the end of the war sound in mind and body. The repatriation of these in a way to be most helpful to them, and most beneficial to the state is receiving a great deal of attention. While no sufficient scheme has yet been evolved, there is every reason to believe that efficient measures will be developed.

About Labor Conditions  
"About labor conditions you can hear all kinds of opinions, from the dogmatic certainty that a labor government and labor legislation have irretrievably ruined the country, to the equally positive assurance that labor legislation has only begun, and that each step will add to the betterment of the country as a place to live and earn one's living in. All I can say is that the country is prosperous, and the general scale of comfort high; and whether it has destroyed the confidence of capital in the stability of business or not, Australia has had no trouble whatever in borrowing all the money it has needed to meet its war and other expenditures, and all kinds of productive industry is making steady progress.

Effects of Coal Strike  
"I was in Sydney during the coal strike, and saw the best hotels go back to the era of candles and kerosene lamps. But the strike was settled long before the industry had been very greatly disorganized; and to those who charge the coal miners with a total disregard for either war necessities or the industry of the country, I have only this to say: At most of the coal fields of Australia coal is only handled once. When it is brought to the mouth of the pit it is not stored, but placed in cars or ships for immediate shipment; and if there are no cars or ships on hand mining stops until there are. Coal mining is therefore an essentially casual employment. The coal miner is accustomed to find himself laid off at any time whenever it suits the business of the mine owner to close down. The miner therefore feels no respon-

## LOCAL AND GENERAL

Hawaiian Lodge, F. & A. M., has special meeting tonight.

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The Mother's Club of Kaimuki has its regular monthly meeting at noon Thursday in the Liliuokalani school.

The monthly meeting of the Kalihl Improvement Club will be held at 7:30 tonight in the Kalihl-waena school-house.

The Honolulu Street Railway Employees' Benefit Association will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7:30 Thursday night.

The annual meeting of the Catholic Ladies' Aid Society will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning in the Library of Hawai'i.

New officers were installed Tuesday night by Court Canoes, Ancient Order of Foresters. A social meeting followed the formal business.

Special tax payment for billiard parlors, theaters and ship's brokerage houses required under the internal revenue law of September 8, 1916, are coming in slowly, according to Acting Collector Ralph S. Johnstone.

The Hawaii board of supervisors has appointed Joseph Viera as road overseer for South Hilo, and Stephen L. Desha, Jr., as secretary to the executive officer of the county in place of Norman K. Lyman, who held both jobs.

With Rev. S. K. Kamaiohili officiating, Sgt. Charles H. O'Neill, 2nd Infantry, Fort Shafter, and Miss Louise Derbner, who arrived yesterday from the mainland, were married last night. The witnesses were William J. Karratt and Mrs. S. K. Kamaiohili.

Miss Pearl Lydia McCarthy, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Charles L. McCarthy of Honolulu, and Frank Wesley Burns, Jr., civil engineer of Hamakua, Maui, were married Tuesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. Fr. Ignatius Fealy of Schofield Barracks assisted. Caleb Burns and Miss Eileen McCarthy, brother of the groom and sister of the bride, attended the couple. Many friends were present.

## DAILY REMINDERS

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## LOGAN EXPLAINS LAST NIGHT VOTE

"If it was a 'switch' I made last night," said Supervisor Logan this morning, "strange that Mr. Stokes should have expended several hours of his time and mine in two or three sittings in the Star-Bulletin library, since the alternative plan took shape, in trying to exact a promise from me to support Circle Drive. On one of his visits he brought H. S. Hayward, an executive head in my employer's establishment, to back up his solicitation, and in whose presence I positively declined to make any promise.

"I was opposed to both the original and the modified Circle Drive from the beginning, as Engineer Collins knows, and voted for it on former occasions when it was that or nothing to give Puunui improvement a start. My opposition was based on the belief that the plan traversed the spirit of the frontage tax law, in going outside of a clearly defined residence district for forced tribute to such district's improvement, also collaterally on the conviction that such a tourist asset as the Country Club should not unnecessarily be impaired in its functions nor a resident who had created a beauty spot upon the line of the oldest pleasure drive in Honolulu be wantonly antagonized.

"In falling into line with the majority formerly being lost on the roll-call, I stated that it meant sending the question into the courts, concluding, 'Let them fight it out.' I did not and do not believe that the scheme would stand the test of either law or equity. Attorney Carden last night confirmed this opinion. The main object—good streets for Puunui—in any event would be seriously delayed by litigation. Several residents of Puunui have volunteered the statement to me that they consider Hawaii street better than Circle Drive for actual benefit to them.

"If ever the residence needs of Honolulu demand expansion compelling the conversion of the Country Club's estate into town lots then and not before, then will the functions of the City Planning Commission, in that now pleasure domain, come into play. Until then Circle Drive will 'keep.' Meantime I can see no esthetic choice worth considering, as between Circle Drive and any parallel route, for a mauka Puunui outlet upon Nuuanu avenue."

The Berlin Loka Anzeiger announces the death of Maj.-Gen. Ernst von Zieten, commander of the 17th Reserve Division. Gen. von Zieten died at Dantzig as the result of an operation.

Quinton Edwards Rawls, for 43 years a merchant of Durham, N. C., and one of the oldest in North Carolina, died of heart trouble.

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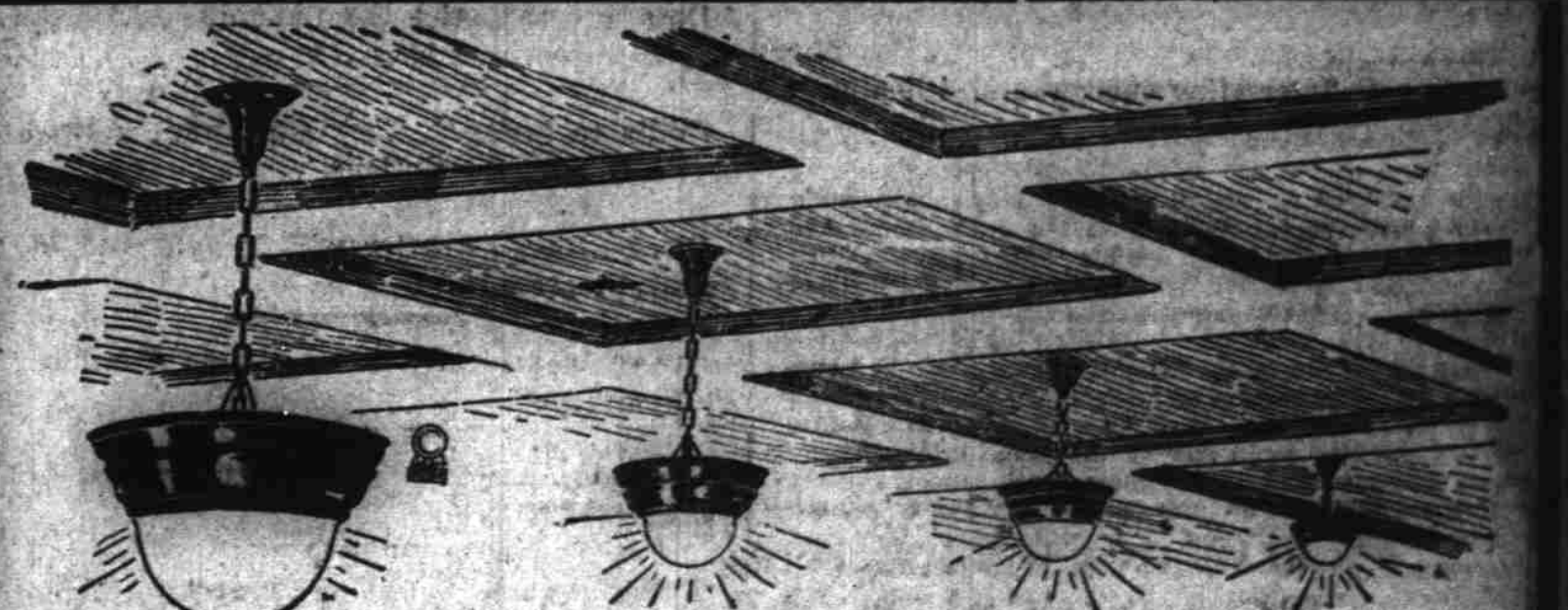
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